

**GOVERNOR'S P-20 COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
Meeting – June 16, 2008  
2:45 p.m.**

**Location:** 1700 W. Washington Street  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room B  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

**Members Present:** Dr. John Haeger

**Members Attending**

**Telephonically:** Governor Janet Napolitano, Dr. Rufus Glasper, Dr. Leah Bornstein, Mark Bryce, J.D., Regent Ernest Calderon, J.D., Susan Carlson, Representative Rich Crandall, Carlos Contreras, Dr. David Curd, George Dean, Dr. Roy Flores, Superintendent Tom Horne, Marv Lamer, Paul Luna, John Morales, Dr. Karen Nicodemus, Christine Nowaczyk, Sal Rivera, J.D., Sherri Slayton, Dr. Robert Shelton, Mayor Robert Walkup, and Dr. James Zaharis.

**Members Absent:** Rhian Evans Allvin, Dr. Pauline Begay, Susan Budinger, Alyssa Bisanz, Dr. Angel Cabrera, Dr. Michael Crow, Dr. Suzan DePrez, Dr. Sybil Francis, David Martin, Senator Tom O'Halleran, Cathy McKee Olesen, Dr. Douglas Olesen, Dr. Norval Pohl, Dr. Ron Rickel, and Councilman Greg Stanton.

**1. Call to Order & Welcome**

Dr. Glasper called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m. and requested staff call roll to ascertain Council members present, and to identify all others who may be participating telephonically. Dr. Glasper also noted that members and staff of the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) have been invited to participate with the Council in the teleconference. Participating from ABOR included: Regent Fred Boice, Regent Fred DuVal, Regent LuAnn Leonard, Regent David Martinez, Joel Sideman, Stephanie Jacobsen and Cathy McGonigle.

Dr. Glasper noted that the Governor will join the meeting telephonically at 3:00 p.m. Dr. Glasper reminded members that the Governor requested this teleconference since she would be unable to attend the Council meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The Governor wanted the opportunity to provide comments regarding the Higher Education Ad Hoc Committee recommendations and to share with the Council her vision for immediate and longer term next steps.

Dr. Glasper also noted for the record that the physical location for the meeting is at 1700 W. Washington, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room B.

**2. Update/Discussion: Higher Education Ad Hoc Committee Draft Recommendations**

Governor Napolitano telephonically joined the meeting at 3:00 p.m. The Governor thanked Dr. Glasper and the participants of the Higher Education Ad Hoc Committee for their work.

The Governor indicated that she hoped the Council would adopt all of the higher education recommendations and briefly discussed areas of specific importance to her that would ensure our ability to increase the number of first generation students who go to college and increase the number of students who transfer from community colleges to universities.

The Governor asked the universities and community colleges to work together to establish a Centennial Scholars program using existing institutional aid, beginning with the graduating class of 2012.

The Governor expressed her desire to protect and maintain the vital and central mission of community colleges, which means limiting the option to provide 4-year degrees to only those programs where there are demonstrated student and workforce needs that are not being filled currently, such as teaching and nursing. The Governor asked that conversations continue for a process and criteria for determining when this is an option.

The Governor discussed that the Council's focus should be on increasing the number of credits that transfer to a degree from a community college to a university

The Governor also asked the Council to rethink the state's higher education funding models in order to increase the number of first generation students and students in rural areas who have access to higher education. The revision of the funding model will make it more financially viable for public universities to provide degree programs outside of their main campuses.

The Governor also asked the Council to take another look at the AIMS test, consider its role and effectiveness, and review implementing assessments such as ACT or SAT that could address college readiness. The Governor asked the Council, universities, community colleges and the State Board of Education to begin this work immediately. The Governor stated that she will be co-chairing a national effort to also look at embedding international standards into high school assessments and will coordinate these efforts with on-going efforts in Arizona.

The Governor indicated that there is a clear and aggressive agenda ahead of us and that she looked forward to working on these issues and hearing updates at future P-20 meetings.

The Governor and Council members engaged in a brief discussion on the Governor's comments.

### **3. Call to the Public**

There were no requests from the public to address the Council.

### **4. Announcements and Adjournment**

There being no further business or announcements, Dr. Glasper adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.